



STATE OF MONTANA
2011 TRIBAL RELATIONS TRAINING

“Working Effectively with Tribal Nations”

DRAFT AGENDA *(as of 12/9/11)*

December 13, 2011 - Great Northern Hotel, Helena

Emcee: Leslie Caye



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- 7:30 am **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:15 am **Welcoming Ceremony**
- Color Guard of the Montana Youth Challenge Academy
 - National Anthem, St. Andrew Students
 - Prayer, Earl Old Person, Chief of the Blackfeet Nation
- 8:40 am **Honoring of Chief Old Person**
- Honor Song, Jay Dusty Bull, Blackfeet Tribal Member
- 9:00 am **Keynote: “How the News Media Shapes American Indian Identity and Policy in the United States”**
John Sanchez, Associate Professor, College of Communications, Pennsylvania State University
- 10:00 am **BREAK**
- 10:15 am **Keys to Successful Partnerships Between the Tribes and the State of Montana**
- Art Noonan, Deputy Director, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks
 - Casey Kyler-West, Communications Director, Department of Labor and Industry
 - Hank Hudson, Economic Security Branch Manager, Department of Public Health and Human Services
- 11:00 am **“Hidden America: Children of the Plains” – A 20/20 Documentary**
- 11:45 am **LUNCH (provided)**
- Indian Dancing Demonstration
(Narrated by Jay Dusty Bull)
 - Corwin “Corky” Clairmont and Linda King
Confederated Salish & Kootenai Artists Featured in the 2011 Tribal Relations Report
- 1:15 pm **Discussion and Questions About “Children of the Plains” Documentary**
Facilitated by Anna Whiting Sorrell, Director, Department of Public Health & Human Services
- 1:45 pm **BREAK**
- 2:00 pm **Working Together, Building Relationships - Your Questions Answered!**
Facilitated by Lesa Evers, Acting Director, Governor’s Office of Indian Affairs
- Dan Belcourt, Tribal Attorney, Chippewa Cree Tribe
 - Eli Clarkson, Attorney, Department of Transportation
 - Jason Smith, State Tribal Economic Development Program Manager, Department of Commerce
 - Andy Huff, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General’s Office
- 3:30 pm **A Charge to State Employees from Governor Brian Schweitzer**
Introduced by Earl Old Person, Chief of the Blackfeet Nation
- 4:00 pm **Lessons Learned**
Anna Whiting Sorrell, Director, Department of Public Health & Human Services